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SUBJ: LOS: WORKING GROUP 2 OF SUBCOMMITTEE III,  
9 TH MEETING, MARCH 23

1. CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF MEASURES FOR PREVENTION OF POLLUTION AND CONCENTRATED ON ARTICLE II OF CANADIAN PROPOSAL. CANAD SUGGESTED ADDING TO LAST SENTENCE ARTICLE II (2) A PHRASE QTE SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH 1 CONCERNING THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS AND SAFETY OF OPERATIONS AT SEA UNQTE TO STRESS INTERNATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THAT SECTION.

2. US DEL COMMENTED THAT ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES OF THE ORDER OF WORK AGREED UPON WAS THAT WE MOVE FROM THE LESS CONTROVERSIAL ( LESS DIFFICULT) TO THE MORE CONTROVERSIAL, THEREBY ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM COMMON GROUND AT THE OUTSET. HE INTERPRETED THE BASIC PURPOSE OF CANADIAN ARTICLE II TO LAY OUT, NOT IN GREAT DETAIL, THE NATURE OF A STATE'S INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATION. HE NOTED ARTICLE II DEALS WITH INTERNATIONAL ASPECTS OF THIS  
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OBLIGATION. THE QUESTION OF STANDARDS MORE STRICT THAN INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS WILL BE DISCUSSED LATER WHEN WE

CAN FOCUS ON THE FLAG STATE SETTING HIGHER STANDARDS FOR ITS SHIPS AND THE COASTAL STATES SETTLING HIGHER STANDARDS FOR EXPLOITATION OF MINERAL RESOURCES WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION ADJACENT TO ITS COAST. AT THAT TIME WE CAN DEAL WITH WHO APPLIES WHAT STANDARDS AND TO WHOM. IN THIS REGARD HE MADE A SUGGESTION ( NOT A PROPOSAL) TO PROVIDE A CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK FOR PROCEEDING WITH THE WORK UNDER ARTICLE II:

QTE SUCH MEASURES SHALL:

A) WITH RESPECT TO ACTIVITIES IN MARINE ENVIRONMENT, BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERALLY ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS IN EXISTENCE AND APPLICABLE INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS TO BE ESTABLISHED BY THE COMPETENT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

B) WITH RESPECT TO ACTIVITIES ON LAND, TAKE INTO ACCOUNT SUCH INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AS MAY BE ELABORATED BY THE COMPETENT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. UNQTE

3. CANADA AND INDIA THOUGHT THE US SUGGESTION WAS CONSTRUCTIVE.

4. INFORMAL MEETING TODAY OF INTERESTED STATES INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE MADE PROPOSALS OR SUGGESTIONS TO TRY TO CONSOLIDATE, SIMPLIFY, OR ELIMINATE PROPOSALS, ETC , COULD NOT REACH AGREEMENT AND WILL MEET AGAIN MONDAY, MARCH 26. IN THE MEANTIME, THERE WILL BE AN AD HOC MEETING OF AUSTRALIA, CANADA, JAPAN, UK, USSR AND US TO DISCUSS DRAFTING ISSUES INVOLVED.  
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